

Makeup of the National League Clubs

Breezy Ball Talk on Many Topics

way for Chicago last year have been strengthened in many departments, and indications are that the first division teams will be very closely

HE National league pennant race for this year will probably be closer than that of 1996. The teams that had to way for Chicago last year have way for Chicago last year had.

BROWN AND WADDELL, PITCHING STARS OF TWO RIVAL LEAGUES.

The way in which they began the season was a sure sign that Billy Murray is a master at developing a team.

BROOKLYN.

President, Sheekard, Slagle, Schulte, Osborne, Randall.

NEW YORK.

President, John T. Brosh; manager, Bergen, Butler, Hurley; pitchers, Scanion, Bowerman, Fitzgerald; pitchers, Ames, Bell, Eason, Doescher, Rucker, Whiting.

BROOKLYN.

President, George B. Dovey; manager, Green, German, Brown, Brown, Green, Butler, Hurley; pitchers, Ritter, Bergen, Butler, Hurley; pitchers, Scanion, Indieders, Tenney, Ritchey, Brain, Bridger, Bowerman, Fitzgerald; pitchers, Ames, Bell, Eason, Doescher, Rucker, Whiting, Beaumont.

The Phillies batted the New York Na-tionals off the map, drove "Iron Man" McGinnity into the bomb proof and scared Mugsy McGraw into a pink trance. McGee, in three times at the bat, hit for a total of six bases, and Centerfielder Roy Thomas did almost as well. The whole team fields like a

crew of trained demons. Say, the rest of the National league managers will have to get a full grown hustle on. Murray will "put it all over them" if they don't watch out-that is, provided the owners of the Phillies will let him take the bit in his teeth. and run the team to suit himself.

Murray was formerly manager of the Jersey City team of the Eastern league, but the big leagues will probably not be likely ever to let him go back to the minors. He's the goods.

Baseball Short Cuts.

It was recently announced by the National baseball commission that unless Boston or St. Louis of the Na-tional league offered Sandow Mertes, the outfielder, \$4,000 for a contract on or before a certain day he would become a free agent and consequently at to sign with whatever club wanted him.

But why should any club pay Mertes \$4,000 for a year when two men equal-ly as good as Mertes could be obtained for the same amount?

Pitcher Corridon of the Philadelphia Nationals recently pitched a sensational game against the New York Nationals, letting down the ex-champions with only one hit and shutting them out.

Napoleon Lajole of the Cleveland Americans was once a hack driver in Woonsocket, R. I. Today he is the best all around ball player in America.

The Chicago Nationals have released Pitcher Harry Gessler to the Columbus (O.) team of the American association, winners of the association pennant last year. Gessler was all right to have received from the Williamsport for a couple of innings in swift ball (Pa.) club of the Tristate league. Uncompany, and then things would begin to happen to his benders. Possibly the American association batsmen Johnson and Unglaub believe this

CHARLES E. EDWARDES. MISS KELLERMAN TO VISIT

AMERICA. Swimming enthusiasts will have an opportunity to see the famous Australian swimmer, Miss Amette Kellerman, know a thing about baseball. I guess in competition in America during the he's bad. His team has enough snap coming summer. Her father, who acts

speed and accuracy.

Miss Kellerman, who has entered the Philadelphia will make dents in the professional ranks and is now in Lonmeans all the other teams in the expects to spend several months in this

and Chicago, as well as at the Jamestown (Va.) exposition, and possibly in some of the other large cities. While here she will be open to challenges from any American woman swimmer who wishes to try conclusion

GUS EDWARDS GIVES ADVICE TO SONG WRITERS. Every person ambitious to become

successful song writer will find the advice of Gus Edwards interesting. Mr. Edwards has composed about 200 songs during the last eight years. "You've got to have patience, of course," he says. "When I started out I was looked upon as a bore by some publishers. I excited the envy of some of the tried and experienced writers who did their level best to put me in the background. I had plenty of ideas, but no chance to put them into execution. When the rage for coon songs was at its height I composed a song called 'My Gal From Baltimore.' song was in an entirely new vein and attracted attention. After that I composed 'I Can't Tell Why I Love You, but I Do,' 'My Charcoal Charmer,' 'Wifen the Roses Bloom Again,' 'Alabama,' 'Mamie' and other hits. However, the only way to make any money in the business is to start out for yourself and publish your own songs. By publishing your own songs you are sure of getting all that is your due. You see under prevalling conditions when sheet music sells at such a low figure, owing to competition, a pub-lisher cannot afford to pay large royalties on songs. Since I have been in business I have provided the musical world with two hits, 'If a Girl Like You Loved a Boy Like Me' and 'Somebody' Sweetheart I Want to Be."

UNGLAUB'S SALARY.

Bob Unglaub wants the Boston Amer icans to pay him \$3,500 for playing baseball this year. President Ban Johnson of the American league has notified President Taylor that Unglaub is entitled to \$3,000 salary, the amount he was glaub received a \$500 bonus from a Wil amount should be returned, but each thinks the other should pay it. In addition Unglaub gives up a \$1,000 posttion as city surveyor.

THE PROGENY OF DIRECT, 2:051/2 Direct, 2:05%, has sired two winners of the M. and M. in Ann Direct and Directum Kelly, and two C. of C. winners in Bonnie Direct and Direct Hal. His grandson, Walter Direct, also won Detroit's classic pacing race.

CALIFORNIA RACING. California will have a circuit of race

Charles F. Barker of Boston suc cessfully defended his title as national checker champion in the recent tournament at Boston. Barker receives the

A little chap waiting for a cu he Manhattan end of the bridge recently was picked out two lemon pool men as a likely tim. They got to talking to him

wound up by suggesting a drink.

they suggested a game of pool. Ittle fellow said he didn't know m

about pool, but to be obliging would play a few games. To m

the games interesting they bet a

lemon ball. One of the lemon

lar on one ball, better known as the

won the lemon ball, but they saw to it.

that the little fellow got the game.

were won by the little fellow, but

either one of the lemon men was sure

to get the balls. The fifth game play-

ed, the little fellow apparently grew

give their new-found friend a chance

to get his money back, the two agreed to plunge. The little fellow got the lemon ball pushed into the pocket by

men thought it was an accident, and

the sixth game found them offering

to bet \$25 on the lemon. They were

taken up, and to their surprise the

little fellow got it again. The sev-

enth, eighth, and ninth games saw the

lemon ball pushed into the uocket by

the little fellow. The proprietor of

the billiard parlor, who is on the

square, held the stakes, and when the

lemon men cried quits more than \$130

was handed over to the intended vic-

Before bidding the lemon men good-

by, the little fellow handed them his

card. It read: "Frank Hoppe." He is a brother of Willie Hoppe, the bil-

After several years of enforced re-

tirement, "Major" Taylor, the famous

negro cycle racer, may again be seen

on the big tracks, and it is reported that he will soon be riding in Paris.

It will be recalled that Taylor stock

dropped when he refused to meet Na-

tional Champion Frank L. Kramer.

The report comes from a Paris sport

ir; paper, which adds a wealth of

detail predicting great work for Tay-

lor in a round-the-world tour via Aus-

tralia. Unfortunately for the French paper, "Major" himself denies the

story. Of late years Taylor has been regarded as one of the solid citizens

of Worcester, Mass., where he has

liard champion.

desperate and offered to bet \$15.

The second, third, and fourth game



MORDECAL BROWN, CHICAGO NATIONALS.

Every one admits that the weaker C. Mathewson, McGinnity, Taylor, Willise teams of last season are stronger now.

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Wision were Brooklyn, Cincinnati, Boston and St. Louis, Hanjon's "Cincy ton and the second discounties of the second

Reds , on their surprising amount of new blood to carry them PITTSBURG. President, Barney Dreyfuss; manager, Fred Clarke; catchers, Gloson, Hughes, Philbin, Hueston, H. Smith; pitchers, Phillippe, Lever, Leiffeld, Carmitz, F. They figure that youthful enthusiasm Miller, Brady, Lyach, Willis; infielders, Nealon, Abaticchio, Wagner, Sheehan, Leach, Storke; outfielders, Clarke, Hali-

man, Clymer. PHILADELPHIA. President, William H. Shettsline; ager, William J. Murray; catchers, Dooin, McLane; infielders, Tim Jordan, Hummel Lewis, Casey, Alperman; cutfielders, Mc-Carthy, Lumley, Batch, Maloney, Rear-

"RUBE" WADDELL, PHIL ADELPHIA AMERICANS.

President, August Herrmann; manager, dward Hanlon; catchers, Schlei, Phelps McLean, Haas: pitchers, Coakley, Ewing, Welmer, Chapple, Easick, F. Ferguson, Hitt, J. Kennedy, Mason, Minnehm; infielders, Ganzell Huggins, Mowbrey, Lobert, Kane, Leary, Peil; outfielders, Odwell, Alonzo Davis, Hinchman, Mitchell, W. Thomas, A. Krueger, Becker, Wolter. ST. LOUIS.

President, Stanley Robison; manager, J. J. McCloskey; catchers, Noonan, Mar-shall, Murray; pitchers, Charles Brown, President, Charles W. Murphy; man-Ager, Frank L. Chance; catchers, Kilng, Moran, Kahoe, Seabough; pitchers, Lund-Burroughs, McQuillan, Moser, Moren, Hoelskoetter, F. Crawford, Holly, Zim-

given, although here and there an experimental player may be dropped.

Murray, the Phillies' Great Manager, I guess that Philadelphia National Director General Billy Murray doesn't and ginger to supply a whole major as her manager, has written that league, and every single man is play-ing the game right up to the limit of to visit the United States next summer.

pennant race records of more than a don giving public exhibitions of speed half dozen teams this season, and that swimming and high and fancy diving.

meetings this year which will give her horses a chance to race for big money country, and will appear in New York | without being taken east,

Timely Topics In the Mimic World

rtunities to "cut loose" and make

The play is full of action and color, and much of the music is pleasing, but Eddie Foy has but few

ton and St. Louis. Hanlon's "Cincy"

into the thick of the fight for the rag.

and ambition will more than balance

veteran nerve and experience. Maybe

they will this year, but they have not

CHICAGO.

The makeup of the National league

done so in the past as a rule.

clubs for this year is as follows:

his hearers giggle. Why Foy should allow his managers to equip him with poor lines and com-mosplace situations is beyond knowledge. Foy is big enough to star and popular enough with the paying performance. public to dictate to some extent to his managers. The play will draw, however, for it is lively from start to finish. The dances are great. They are the best seen this season, if not for sev-

Many Cooks For This Broth.

In two acts and three scenes "The Orchid" is the work of no less than six dramatic mechanics. James Tanner and Joseph Herbert evolved the book, which is really so visionary as to be no book at all. The lyrics came from the founts of Adrian Ross and Percy Greenbank. The music is by Ivan Caryll and Lionel Monckton.

Eddie Foy and Joseph Herbert indulge in a boxing match that gets a good laugh. But instead of knocking out Herbert, Foy should have knocked out the authors of the book. Trixle Friganza, Amelia Stone and Laura Guerite, in the three principal femi-nine roles, score, but for a real bit William Rock in his song "Far Peru" takes all the sweetmeats. Rock's makeup is as weird as a veteran ghost could build, and during the song he does some excellent character

Trixle Friganza received many encores in her amusing song, "No Wed-ding Bells For Me," in which she paints in vocal color the joys of the bachelor emale costume, remarkable for the hortness of skirts, he plaintively asked, why do they call me a Gibson He had several of the "origi-Gibson girls "lashed to the mast," se Stahl says, for beauty of face

The story of the play, whenever it courts finally refused to make the injunction permanent, so she became free to accept the new offer.

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[From Our New York Dramatic Corre- | Other players in the cast were George C. Boniface, Jr.: Melville Ellis, wife! DDIE FOY in "The Orchid" is the talented musician, actor, stage diat the Herald Square theater. rector and composer; Joseph Herbert, who plays a character role of a cockney pugilist in search of his lost wife; Alfred Hickman Irene Franklin, etc.

By the way, the orchid, from which the play takes its name, happens to be rare specimen worth \$10,000, which is exhibited in a European show, and which is lost and found, relest and rediscovered several times during the

Arnold Daly Reappears.

Arnold Daly has taken up the life military in a mild way. In "The Boys of Company B," at the Lyceum theater, he plays the role of Tony Allen, a young blade who proposes to his lady ove through a speaking tube in an endeavor to outwit a watchful parent. Tony is, it is seen, a resourceful sort of person, and a further evidence of this quality is noticed when he is caught by his sweetheart in the act of kissing another girl. Here his explanation is that he kissed out of curiosity, of uncontrollable curiosity to find out how it feels to kiss a girl who lisps. For the girl in question does lisp. Assisting Mr. Daly in the play are

Florence Nash, Morgan Coman, Gretchen Dale, Frances Ring and a galaxy of "The Boys of Company B" is by Rida Johnson Young, author of "Brown of

Harvard." Mrs. Young seems to have the faculty of writing pleasing plays in which the younger generation is the

center of attraction.

Elsie Janis is a full fledged actress now that she has had a bonafide "run in" with the courts and the judges. Also she has seemingly the disposition to do as many another public person has done-that is, to bite the hand that feeds you. Miss Janls was extracted onen. Eddie Foy "brought down the made by him a real star. A more oute" when, attired in a kaleidoscopic liberal offer was made her by another manager, and she attempted to break ager. But the courts stepped in and issued an injunction. While the courts cannot make her act for any particular manager, they can prevent her from acting for any other manager. The courts finally refused to make the in-

Olga Nethersole is said to have Julien Royce

"picked a winner" in her new drama, which she recently produced in Chicago. "The Awakening" is its name, and it is an adaptation in English of the French drama "Le Reveil," by Paul

Hervien. gave a masterly rendition and won Opera orchestra and now temporary sociated with Lord Dunraven in the much applause in the titular role of director of the Boston Symphony or-

SCHMIDT WRITES AN OPERA. Herr Karl Schmidt, the well known 'cellist, formerly soloist with the Thomas orchestra and now general The play is described as one "full of kapelineister for all the Henry W. highly exciting action," and all its Savage musical companies, has had a scenes are laid in Paris. It has been grand opera accepted for production equipped with claborate scenic effects, at the Royal Opera in Berlin. Dr. Dispatches state that Miss Nethersole Muck, director of the Berlin Royal

ciety of Louisville and was musical director of the society for twelve years before accepting his present position. He came to this country seventeen years' ago from Germany.

ENGLISH YACHTSMAN IS HERE. Lord Wolverton, who has for many years been an enthusiastic member of the royal yacht squadron and was as-

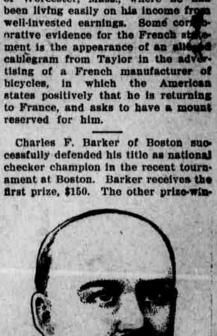
sister, a mother, a daughter or a Therese de Megce. In her support were ite!

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Lord Wolverton is the organizer of the movement in England toward having the royal yacht squadron license yacht skippers and assume the right to disqualify amateur skippers if found guilty of reprehensible practices, to prevent their competing in Great Britain or the British possessions. Lord Wolverton may suggest that this movement be taken up here, and he may also broach the subject of an international lownership of the Valkyrie, which was to | race in 1908.



OLGA NETHERSONE, NOW PLAYING IN "THE AWAKENING," A NEW PLAY-FROM THE FRENCH OF PAUL HERVIEU



ners in the recent tournament were Heffner, L. S. Head of Bronxville, H. V. Reynolds of Syracuse, those four finishing in the major division; H. Zink of Boston, Willis A. Hill of Lowell and George Andrews of Boston, the last three finishing in that order in the minor section.

Constance S. Titus, champion ameteur sculler of America, is to compete in England and Germany next July. He will leave here in the latter part of May, going direct to Henley to complete training preparations already, begun on Carnegie lake, Princeton Titus will compete at Henley, for the diamond sculls, which represent the teurs in Great Britain, and for the kaiser's cup in the Hamburg regatta

George Moriarity, the Chicago box who has been subbing for Hal Chas at first, was the happiest Highlands of them all when the announcement was made that Hal was to join Gr fith's team again.

"Yes, it was a great opportunity omaking myself famous," said Morg "but you know a greepy feeling kinds sneaks up a young player's spin when he thinks about getting up to Washington Heights and trying to Washington Heights and trying Hal Chase's shoes before a gro

"Oh, no, I will take the utility for mige. Then they won't expect toe